AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

On page 4, please amend the third full paragraph as follows:

For example, the first ~~22~~ 6 bits of the 16 host bits can be used to identify a number of sub-networks, while the last 10 bits of the 16 host bits can be used to identify 1022 customers within a sub-network. (RFC 950 prohibits host addresses that utilize all zeros or all ones. Thus, the total number of hosts that can be supported by a ten bit host address is 1022 or 1024-2.)

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